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## Preliminary Amendment

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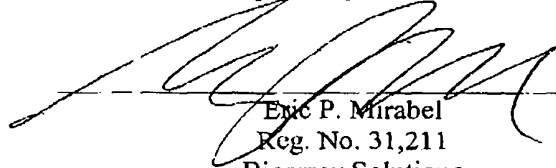
Amendments to the Specification

Applicants request amendment of this application to state the following in the line following the title, on page 1:

-- Statement Regarding Federally Sponsorship

[001] Some of the inventions described herein were made with government support under contract No. DAAH01-98-C-F 053 awarded by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. The government may have certain rights in the invention. --

Respectfully Submitted,



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Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time or for any other grounds needed to make this submission timely and proper. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due in connection with this submission and not otherwise covered by payment included herewith, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502088.

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